

House Resolution No. 836

Whereas, it is with tremendous respect and esteem that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse daily legislative endeavors in order to recognize stellar individuals connected with exemplary programs founded by Show-Me State religious institutions which have an exceptional record of involvement in meeting the spiritual needs of local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Lillie Mae Elazer, sixty-year member of the Church of the Living God in Richmond Heights, Missouri, has earned remarkable distinction as Coordinator of the George T. Watson Scholarship Fund Banquet which acknowledges worthy graduate candidates for educational scholarship awards deemed by official committee; and

Whereas, the Honorable State Representative Connie L. Johnson acknowledges the importance of this event to educate and strengthen its local community; and

Whereas, Lillie Mae Elazer is a resident of Saint Louis County; mother of Michelle Williams and Craig Elazer; grandmother of Michael, Alexa, Shatia, and Craig, Jr.; retired educator of Metropolitan St. Louis schools; and member and morning musician of the Church of the Living God, Richmond Heights, Missouri; and

Whereas, the Church of the Living God conducts its stellar programing through the visionary leadership of Elder Ennis F. Tait as Pastor; the Reverend Diane Crawford, the Reverend Donald Wright, Jr., and the Reverend Michele Y. Wright as Ministers; Lena Wortham of the Mothers Board, George Gaskin of the Deacons, Sheree Tait of the Women's Department; Willie Owens of the Men's Department; Tiffany Harris of the Youth Department; Vincent and Gwendolyn Donnell of Outreach Ministry; Pamela Warren of Office Staff; John Wotham of the Board of Trustees; Charlotte Owens of the Finance Department; Michelle Williams of Pastor's Aid; Juanita Pruitt and Louise Gaskin as Coordinators for the Old Ship of Zion Program; and Joann Rankins Canon:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the eighty-nine-year-long history of the Church of the Living God in Richmond Heights, Missouri, and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt commendation of its George T. Watson Scholarship program which recognizes the accomplishments and achievements of worthy, faithful Americans; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the Church of the Living God and its George T. Watson program.

Offered by _____
Representative Connie L. Johnson
District No. 61

Representative Yaphett El-Amin
District No. 57

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 836, adopted March 13, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker